(b) whether Government have taken into consideration the threat to national security posed by such a move; and

(c) whether many of the Bangadeshi infiltrators now living in India illegally numbering more than a crore could stake claim for Indian citizenship?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) No, Madam.

(b) Yes, Madam.

(c) No, Madam.

Monitoring of funds collected for Tsunami aid

4402. SHRIMATI SYEDA ANWARA TAIMUR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are monitoring the money collecting by way of donations for Tsunami victims by some private organizations and how much money deposited with Government so far by such organizations;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have appointed any Committee of official to ensure the money is reaching the real victim of Tsunami or not; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) to (d) The NGOs are not required to intimate the Ministry of Home Affairs about the funds or material collected by them and the utilization thereof in the first instance. These organizations are, however, required to file their accounts and or returns to the appropriate authorities with whom they are registered. The Ministry of Home Affairs have allowed the associations to accept foreign contributions for Tsunami relief in a separate Tsunami Relief Account. These associations are required to submit to this Ministry the manner in which the foreign contribution was received and the purposes and manner in which such foreign contribution was utilized by them.

The Ministry of Home Affairs have not received specific complaints regarding misapropriation of funds raised by private institutions for relief and rehabilitation work in the event of natural or man made disasters. However, the general impression of the public is that some of the private institutions or the NGOs are not spending the entire money collected by them for the purpose of relief and rehabilitation. The matter has been examined in detail by the Law Commission. The Government of India is considering the feasibility of enacting a legislation or formulating guidelines to regulate the collection and utilization of funds raised for the purposes of providing relief and rehabilitaionti to the victims of natural and man made disasters.

Rehabilitation of Tsunami Victims

4403. SHRI HARISH RAWAT:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI KB. KRISHNA MURTHY:
SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that desired help is not reaching Tsunami victims;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the State-wise details of the measures taken by Government for the rehabilitation of the Tsunami victims?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) This Ministry has not received any information regarding the desired help not reaching the Tsunami victims. However, the distribution of relief at the gound levels is the resonsibility of the State Government concerned. Under the Scheme of CRF, the State level Committee headed by Chief Secretary is authorized to decide on all matters connected with the financing of the relief expenditure from CRF and is responsible to ensure that the funds from the CRF is actually utilized for the purpose for which it was approved.

The Government of India have approved a special package of Rs. 3644.05 crore named as "Rajiv Gandhi Rehabiliation Package for Tsunami affected areas" to provide assistance for immediate relief and response, revival of